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As on the througed, unrestful town The patience of the moon looks down I wait to hear, beside the wire. The voices of its immgues of fire. Flow, doubtful, faint they seem at first; Be strong, my heart, to know the worst!

Hark!-there the Alleganies spoke; That sound from take and prairie broke ! That sunset-gun of triumph rent The allence of a continent! That signal from Nebraska sprung,

This, from Nevada's mountain tongue! Is that thy answer, strong and free, 0 loyal heart of Tennesses ! What strange, glad voice is that which calls From Wagner's grave, and Sam ter's walls ? From Mississippi's fountain-head

A sound as of the bison's tread ! There rustled freedom's Charter Oak! In that wild burst the Ozarks spoke! Cheer answers their from rise to set Ofsen. we have a country yet!

The Book of the New Year.

BY EMILY J. SCORES.

The book of the New Year is opened, Its pages are spotters and new And so, each leaflet is turning, Dear children, bewere what you do!

Let never a bed thought be cherished, Koop the longue from a whiteper of gulls, a And see that your faces are windows. Through which a sweet spirit shall smile.

And weave for your sonis the fair garments Of honor, and beauty, and frath, Which will still with a giver sained you, When faded the spell of your youth.

And now with the new book endeavor To write its white pages with care; Each day is a leafer, remember, Thus is written, then turned—beward.

And if on a page you discover
At evening a blot or a scrawl,
Kneel quickly and sak the dear Saviour
Licustry to cover it all.

So when the strings book shall be finished And clasped by the Angel to light, You may feel, though the work be imperfect, You have earnestly irled for the right. And think, how the years are the stairway

Miscellaneous.

Written for the Jonesbure', (Tenn.) Union Fing. THE FAR WEST.

Travels of an East Tennesseean;

Сителистия, Мо., Dec. 814, 1868. Editors Union Flug: During the long in terval since my last letter, the daily routine of business that has commanded all my time has furnished me very few items warthy of note in a public way; hence my silence. Since my last communication, the dull, dark, anowy conglomeration of days has come upon us. The car of Apollo is being drived with sturdy pace adown the abyus of the frozen regions, and the beautiful summer and gatuma only femain to us in the memory of "other days," but their genial and happy hours will live as long in the memory of the people as the histronic events recorded on the tablets of the fading year. While I am writing, white flescy clouds of enow are coming down, like the " down" at a general geese picking." The snow has already reached a depth of nearly two feet and yet it tion; among the most raidable are lead, sil-

"Winter is here-winds whirtle shrill, ley and cold." Had Thackeray experienced the BEFRIENCES.

First National Hank, Cowan & Dickinson, Col. John Williams, A. G. Larkmon, Knownillo and Milliams, A. G. Larkmon, Knownill beauties of a North-American wlater, he

as if engaged in firing perpetual salutes in | pear to be thrifty and well to do. honor of King Prost. When river and lake,

such a cold snap enjoyable ?popular delusion-" enjoying a sleigh ride." Mesers, Editors, I would urge all East Ten- ment of the January interest. The Can't see it. Sit in an open barn with your nesseeaus, who are contemplating taking up bonds are worth more than seventy feet on a block of ice, wrap yourself in buf- their line of march " with the star of Emfalo robes, and give a boy ten cents to jungle pire" in its west-ward course-to come to a string of cow-bells in your ears, and you Missouri, for I honestly believe it presents will have all the essentials of a sleigh-ride, better inducements than any other Western without the expense of hiring, or the trouble | State. Here, young men are advanced rapidly of driving a livery team. Man is often re- if they are wurthy of it. The old regime ferred to beasts for example, from Solomon and aristocracy have passed away in the conwho sends us to the auf to learn industry, vulsions of civil war. If a man be honest down to the Good Templars, who advise us brave and true, he can not but succeed. to drink like beasts-only when we are dry, I might speak of the state of apolity, an and then only of water, and we might take give you a long chapter of my adventures. farther hint from the animals-rabbits hunt during four years constant travel, all of a hole, and muskrats stay in their houses- | which might not be uninteresting to many of where they belong, but man, vain man, has your readers, but I have already extended to haul cord wood, hay and supplies, take my letter far beyond its intended limits. The sleigh rides, get frost bitten, and agonize near approach of the "wee small hours" himself generally. But so it has been, and warn me that it is time for all honest folks so it will be, and an advocate of hyberniza- to be a bed. Before closing however, I wish tion would meet with few disciples in these to give you a short description of Chillidays of Alaska-acquiring, North-Pole-seek- cothe from whence I am writing you. It is ing restlessuess. All great reformers have situated two hundred and fifty miles Northbeen unlucky, the men of Athens asked So- east of St. Louis on the Hannibal and St. Jos crates to take a drink and put Weyanwega Railroad. The situation of the city is one of whisky (same as the hemlock juice of his great heauty-it stands on a gently rising day, only quicker in its action) in it, simply because he hinted a slight reformation in their morals, so we do not think it policy to far beyond the scope of vissian, and contains advocate reformation. But when the Pacific a population of nearly seven thousand intelli-Railroad and Hoosac tunnel, have brought gent and refined people, mostly from the Easthe two sides of this half of the globe together, we are in hopes of seeing such a saving made in time, that people will be able to sleep winters and work summers, but as it is an old hackneved stunidity in the general acceptation of things, to make remarks upon the weather, I have probably laid myself liable to a sneer of contempt for thus prefa- the dancers. And I can assure you, it was cing my letter. He that as it may, I propose to give you a short description of the country west of the " Great Father of Waters." In August 1821, Missouri became the twenty- Walts and Mazurka, while the "sound of fourth State in the Union. The famous dis- revelry by night," the fourd bassoon and the enseion between the North and South as to the extension of slavery, resulted in the Mis- that the muse of many twinkling feet were souri compromise, which yielded the wast holding high carnival within the spacious territory of this State to the South, who held hall. And I am free to confess as my opinundisputed control of its destinies for forty | ion, that since the days when Cardinal Richrears. Never was there a fairer opportunity cliew, danced a carabund before Queen Anne wonderful. See what immigration is Johnson ex-officio President, Gen. offered to test the relative merits of slave isof France, there never was gayer worship doing in the Northwest, in spite of its
Grant and W. W. Corcoran among the
nasters climate. Think what immilittle progress she made in that long period of forty years. Her natural resources of wealth lay undeveloped until the destinies of their way into the columns of the PLAS, in- Federal Government. Remember the war proclaimed her a free State. Now, behold the glorious transformation. Her struggling settlements have grown up into large and flourishing towns. Schools, colleges and churches are being organized. Mills and

of the North. There is no denying the fact that Missouri is destined to be one of the brightest stars in the constellation of States. Missouri lies between the parallel of 36 deg. 30 min. 40 deg. and 36 min. North latitude enjoying that agreeable mean of temperature " so favorable to longevity and profactive of harmonious temperaments" and conditions. Nature has endowed her with a salubrious chmate, where fruit, grain, and in fact, all the regetables come to full perfection. While her natural advantages and central position must seoner or later reader her the Queen of the sisterhood of States. The winters in the South-west and Eastern portions of the State are mild and of short duration. While the summers are long and favorable to the cultivation of semi-tropic fruits and regetables, at the same time, all the products of Northern climes may be realized in abundance. The surface of Missouri 1s beautiful and varied. Her small rolling prairies are Pensions to give jublic notice of the well timbered. Beautiful springs of living contents of the foregoing section, water dot her surface in many parts of the particularly at the offices of the sovwater dot her surface in many parts of the State, while streams and navigable rivers eval pension agencies, and upon any thread their way through her confines in er-ers direction. In minorals Missouri may well of on behalf of any person entitled to ery direction. In minerals Missouri may well thallenge the world to show its equal; but the benefit of its provisions, or upon few explerations have as fet been made, yet any notification that such person is a wealth of mineral deposits have been found, many of them fich beyond competi-

are being opened and worked, thus bringing

to light the hidden treasures of nature-the

tide of emigration is now to Missouri. Ten

years ago it swept around her borders, and

ouilt up Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska-out of

the shadows and darkness, Misnouri emerges

radiant with the smile of hope into the grand

arena and generous rivalry of the free States

tur, iron and copper. The soil of Missouri, so far as I have been able to test it, is a dark, calcareous sandy loam. This quality of soil, is said by agra-

tended with a regular " Nor-wester." When flattering. Her people all feel confident in die while an application for such penapt to imagine himself a provincial. When think they have good reasons for the " faith our farmer friends come in awathed and that is in them." Every town and village wrapped up like Winnebago Indian Mum- shows life and progress, and her farmersmies. When the side-walks anap and crack | the great basis of a country's prosperity, ap-

" All quiet on the Potomac" expresses the bound in solid fetters wear a sulky, statid state of politics here, since the November expression, as if to say, "don't bother us election. The election of General Grant has with your steamboats and sail craft." When stilled the troubled waters of the political sea the rafts of saw-logs, bard and fast in the as if by magic. The sentiment of "Let us ice, grin defiance at the saw-mills, that all have Peace" has found a longment in every summer have been quashing their steel teeth true heart in the land. Whatever else may had advanced to seventy cents. This over the limbs of their brethren. Oh, isn't happen, Missouri is destined as long as the Star-Spangled Banner waves-to be found There goes a sleigh load of victims of a beneath its protecting folds-and right here, ler has made for the prompt pay-

plateau, overlooking a broad expanse of beantiful country, extending on either side

tern and Middle States .-With the return of the festive season, the inhabitants have driven "dull care" from his throne : and to-night, numerous parties are "tripping the light fantastic toe." Your them. To this end nothing is so officorrespondent had an "invite," and spent an hour in the fore-part of the evening with " big thing on ice "-fifty or more couples being in attendance. Youth and age, beauty and combiness joined in the manes of the plaintive notes of the viol, told the passerby

rereived at this place to-night. If my disjointed scribblings should find stead of the editor's waste basket, I may continue my sketches of travel.

Yours truly,

Pension Act of July 1868-Soldiers' manufactories are being built. Railroads are Widows. being extended. Mines of various minerals

For the information of soldiers widows applying for possion we publish the following sections of the set of July 27, 1868, which give useful information to parties concerned :

SEC. 6. That all pensions which have been granted in consequence of death occurring, or disease contracted or wounds received, since the 4th of March, 1861, or may hereafter be granted, shall commence from the discharge or from the death of the person on whose account the pension has been or shall hereafter be granted: provided, That the application for such pension has been or shall hereafter be filed with the Commissioner of Pensions within five years after the right thereto shall have accrued ; except that applications by or in behalf of insane pensions and children under sixteen years of age may be filed after the expiration of the said ave years, if previously there to they were without guardians or other proper legal representatives.

Sec. 7. That immediately upon the passage of this act or as soon thereafter as may be prasticable, it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of so entitled, to pay or cause to be paid to him all such acrears of pensions as he may be entitled to under the provisions of said section t and no claim agent or other person shall be entitled to receive any compensation for ser-

Mercury fall thirty degrees below zero, at | course with a prospect for the inture, truly | since March 4, 1861, or shall hereafter from the prevalence of "blue noses" one is the future greatness of their State, and I blon is pending, leaving no widow and no child under sixteen years of age, his or her heirs, or legal representatives shall be entitled to receive the accured pension to which the applicertificate been issued before his or considerable attention upon their own her death.

State Bends Advancing. Dispatches yesterday from New York stated that Tennessee bonds advance is attributable to the provision which our indetatigable Comptrolconts, and if Northern capitalists were satisfied that there would be no increase of our State debt for some years to come, in giving hid to chames of public improvements, we have no doubt they would soon reach

Grant goes into the Presidency with the declaration, of retrenchment and do the voting. Stand back-you will economy, and already the beneficial effects of that declaration are felt. Our great State may wisely follow that illustrious example in her local administration. If she does her bonds will be at par before the expiration

Advice to the People of the South.

The Hon, William W. Boyce, of South Carolina, prefaces a letter to the Southerners with the remark that the election of General Grant is a protest against political assassinations to hungry, and feel best when eating : Grant will undoubtedly, if necessary, ing they undure torments so distressemploy the whole military power to United States. Mr. Boyce next recommends a policy for the South as follows:

First. You ought to regulate the relations between the whites and the blacks so as to have as much harmony and good feeling as possible between cacions as kindness to the blacks.

Second. You ought to have perfect tolerance of political opinion. Let every one, white and black, vote as he pleases, and trust to your tact and natural influence for a just share of po-

litical power. Third You ought to extend a cordial and kind welcome to the Northern people to settle among you without regard to their political, opinions. Once you did this the troubles of the

and your material progress would be gration would do for the genial South Fourth. You ought to conciliate the Scripture injunction: "Agree with thine adversary quickly," The Federal Government, for the present and and for years to come, means the Re-publican party. Remember that the

Democratic party is not strong enough now to be of any service to yon. Be calm and conciliatory, and wait the course of events. It would be fortunate if you were in that independent condition that both parties North would bid for your support. Fifth, General Grant will, I think,

earnestly desire to make his administration national, and restore real peace and harmony to the late beligerant sections. A moderate, conserva tive course on the part of the South will facilitate his policy in this direc-

Sixth. In conclusion, the thing you want is peace. To get peace, you must procure it by peaceful means. Let the Republicans and Democrats North rage a bitter war against each other if they choose; your condition calls for more reserve.

Keep a List.

1. Keep a list of your friends; and let God be first in the list, however

long it may be. Keep a list of the gifts you get ! and let Christ, who is the unspeakable gift, be first.

3. Keep a list of your mercies; and boat. let pardon and life stand at the head, 4. Keep a list of your joys; and let the joy unspeakable and full of glory be the first.

5. Keep a list of your hopes; and let the hope of glory be foremost. 6. Keep a list of your sorrows; and same time. let the sorrows for sin be first. 7. Keep a list of your enemies ; and put down the 'old man' and the 'old

serpent' first, and pray for all the 8. Keep a list of your sins; and let the sin of unbellef be sat down as the first and worst of all.—Peorla, Illinois,

Women's Laws.

Mark Twain says when women frame laws the first thing they do will be to enact;

1. That all men should be at home

fl. That it should be a hanging offense to sell whisky in salpons, and that fines and disfranchisement should

follow it in such places. 4. That the smolting of cigars to excess should be forbidden and the smeking of pipes uttorly abolished.
5. That the wife should have the ti-

tle of her property when she marries b a man that has nt nave. " Such tyranny as this" saws Mark we could never stand". Our free sodis could never endure the degrading thraiden Women, go aways isk not to beguile us of our imperial privileges. Content vourselves with your feminine trilles your balies, our benevolent societies and your

kultting-and lot your natural bossesbe wanting to go to war next. Wo will let you teach schools as much as you want to, and pay you half price, too; but bowers! we don't want you to crowd us too much."

Risk of Great Eaters.

Hall's Journal of Health contains this much information : Great enters never live long. A veracious appetite health, is a certain indication of disso far from being a sign of the South, and adds that President but as soon as they have finished eating in their nature as to make the unestablish equal rights throughout the happy victim wish for death. The appetite of boulth is that which is inclined moderately to gat when eating time comes, and which when catisfled, leaves no unpleasant reminders.

nen. Some men waste a lifetime in aseless experiments. A man in At-lanta, Ga., who had a four-legged s chicken cock, hatched out hy one of his fawls, has bought a four-legged hen that happened to came in his way, and is about to try to raise fourlogged chickens altogether.

An appeal has been issued by the Washington National Monument Committee, asking the ministers of the various churches throughout the country to take up a collection on the Sunday preceding February 22d, in future would be largely overcome, furtherance of the completion of that monument. It is, signed by Andrew

Celebration of St. John's Day by the Colored Masons.

The colored Free Masons of Nashville, some sixty in number, celebrat-ed St. John's Day last night at the Court Honse Hall by a ball, speech

Mr. Cary, cashior of the Freedmen's Bank, made a very neat oration on the occasion, after which the festivities were kept up to a late hour. The attendance was large.

There are two lodges of bolored Musons in Nashville, which are reported to be in a prosperous condition.

Killed by a Rocket,

On Christmasove, Mr. R. K. Pattison, a very worthy young man, was killed in Memphis, while walking along the sidewalk, by a rocket which had been recklessly fired. The projectile strock him on the calf of the leg tearing away the flesh, and severing the main artery of the leg. He scon bled to death,

Another youth on Christmas day was accidentally killed by a shot from a pistol in the hands of one of his companions - Press and Herald.

Lor A work recently published in New York contains a spirited picture of Hendrick Hudson, discovering the river of that name, by salling upit on a high pressure stern wheel steam-

Congressman Beck has written tien. Breclaridge, who is in Canada, to return at once. It is expected that Jacob Thompson, J. M. Mason, and Gon. Early will return at the

Twenty two thousand dollars have been subscribed recently in Bat-Imore towards the fund for the endowment of the American College, in Rome. This amount has nearly all been given by twelve wealthy Catholies of that city